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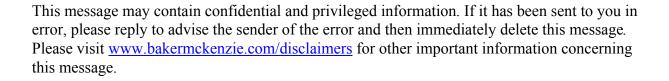
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This email will document our conversation of yesterday wherein U.S. EPA has agreed to provide Peabody Midwest Mining, LLC ("Peabody") an extension of time up through January 20, 2012 to respond to the Section 308 Request for Information from the Agency, dated October 12, 2011. This will confirm Peabody's agreement to provide a response on or before the January 20th deadline. Please let me know if you have any further questions or otherwise believe that this email does not properly reflect our discussions and understandings. Thank you for your cooperation with respect to this matter.

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Subject Peabody - Bear Run - Agenda for EPA Meeting - April 16th at 10 am

See Peabody Agenda topics for discussion on Monday.

- 1. Review EPA Concerns Regarding Water Quality at Bear Run
- 2. Discuss Substance of Peabody Response to November 2011 308 Request
- 3. Review Proposed Scope, Feasibility and Cost of EPA Sampling/Monitoring/Assessment Work in March 2012 Letter and Rationale for Requested Work

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308 Request

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Date: 04/20/2012 11:08 AM

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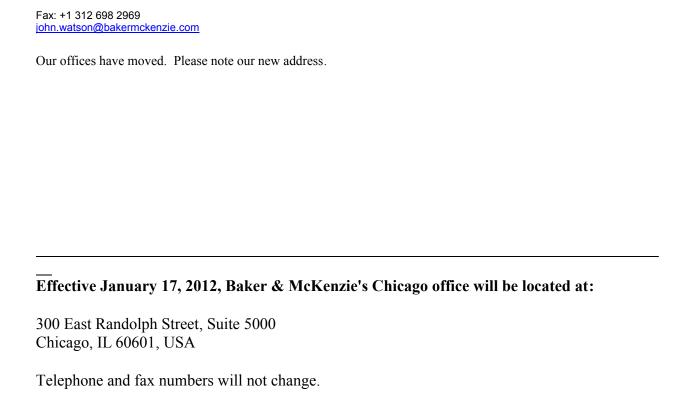
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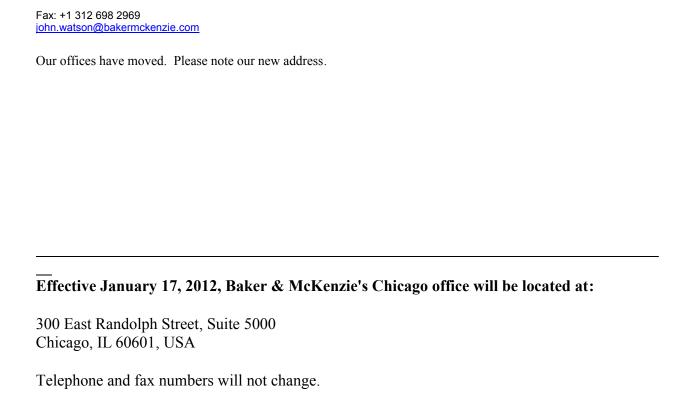
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Thanks

Bryce West

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Bryce

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Subject RE: Tech discussion

Janet

Attached is the comment letter from EPA to the Corps of Engineers regarding the previous Bear Run 404 permit. This is the letter we were responding to in our Jan 4, 2011 letter referenced below. The water quality section on the first page references EPA's NPDES personnel. It was our understanding that the questions came from the NPDES group and our response was provided to the NDPES group along with our willingness to discuss any water quality issues. I thought this may help with our discussions. I will call you soon.

Thanks Bryce

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Bryce, Eric,

Thanks for answering my questions re the site and todays' discussion re previous studies that you will be emailing me.

While I review those, I ask you to consider how you can incorporate your knowledge of the site and the smaller number of actual NPDES discharge events into a workable sampling plan per the March 22, 2012 EPA 308 request.

EPA would like to work with Peabody in developing a sampling plan prior to the end of May 2012, so that sampling can begin by June 1, 2012.

Our original request deadline for developing the sample plan of 30 days from receipt of the March 22, 2012 letter was delayed per Peabody's indication, during the April 16, 2012 meeting in our Chicago office, that their water quality expert, Eric Fry was on vacation. With Eric's return we look forward to his input on the development of a sampling plan.

We can discuss the plan on our next scheduled call thursday, May 3rd at 1:15pm.

thanks. Janet

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To Janet Pellegrini

cc "Fry, Eric", "McGarvie, Scott D.", "Watson, John W"

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Subject Studies

Janet

Attached are 3 of the studies we discussed on Friday. We are searching for the others and will forward as soon as they are located.

Thanks

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From: Fry, Eric

Sent: Monday, April 30, 2012 5:27 PM

To: West, Bryce Subject: FW:

Attached is an analysis of the of the VG data our staff did in 2010. Region 5, the State of Illinois, I believe ELPC? and others devised this sampling plan to determine if there was a potential for toxic metals, etc. VG was a worst case scenario with a large surface refuse pile, coal storage, and saline inflow into the underground. IEPA currently uses this study to limit testing parameters for Illinois coal mines and Region 5 evidently agrees. We (Peabody) complained bitterly at the time about the wasted money but we were told that it was a onetime thing if the results were good. At the time Region 5 sent a very large contingent of staff to visit the VG and also the Farmersburg mine in the Busserron creek watershed which Ms Pellegrini agrees has no problems after 15 years of operation.

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To "West, Bryce"

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Subject Re: B Run 308

Bryce.

Thanks for your email acknowledging your development of an alternate sampling plan, with supportive documentation.

Any deviations from our EPA guidances within the March 22, 2012 CWA Section 308 request, should be technically justified.

The one exception to that would be my feedback to Peabody on May 3, 2012, wherein I indicated that for NPDES outfall sampling method, EPA will accept grab sample method of monitoring in place of our suggestion of composite sampling method, based on Peabody's input and internal EPA concurrence.

Submitting that plan as soon as possible, will aid in EPA review and feedback to Peabody in finalization of an approvable sampling plan.

May we anticipate submission towards the beginning of the week of May 14, 2012, in order to expedite this process?

thanks. Janet

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To Janet Pellegrini

cc "Fry, Eric", "Watson, John W", "McGarvie, Scott D.", Kevin Pierard, Kasey Barton

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Subject RE: B Run 308

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Thanks Bryce

From: Janet Pellegrini [mailto:Pellegrini.Janet@epamail.epa.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, May 08, 2012 4:18 PM

To: West, Bryce

Cc: Fry, Eric; Watson, John W; McGarvie, Scott D.; Kevin Pierard; Kasey Barton

Subject: Re: B Run 308

Bryce,

Thanks for your email acknowledging your development of an alternate sampling plan, with supportive documentation.

Any deviations from our EPA guidances within the March 22, 2012 CWA Section 308 request, should be technically justified.

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Submitting that plan as soon as possible, will aid in EPA review and feedback to Peabody in finalization of an approvable sampling plan.

May we anticipate submission towards the beginning of the week of May 14, 2012, in order to expedite this process?

thanks, Janet

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Date: 11/16/2011 11:51 AM

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05/15/2012 07:14 AM

To Kasey Barton

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Kasey,

This email will respond to our ongoing dialogue on the timing of Peabody Midwest Mining LLC's ("Peabody") submittal of a proposed sampling plan for the Company's Bear Run mine pursuant to the Agency's recent Section 308 request for information. Since our meeting on April 16th, Peabody representatives have been working continuously on this matter and have redirected substantial resources to the preparation of an appropriate response to, and plan for, EPA. This work has included the production of extensive documentation to Janet Pellegrini on historical sampling and monitoring - both at Bear Run and other mines in the Illinois Basin - and two lengthy technical calls with Ms. Pellegrini. Peabody has viewed the calls with Ms. Pellegrini as productive in educating the Agency on the history of sampling and other efforts that have been undertaken by Peabody to address the Agency's concerns and in providing a possible framework for a proposed sampling plan.

During the last call between Peabody and Ms. Pellegrini, it was agreed that Peabody would propose an alternative plan to the one requested by EPA. Ms. Pellegrini specifically requested that, as part of the plan, Peabody offer detailed technical support for any divergence from the Agency's proposed plan. As we have communicated to both you and Ms. Pellegrini, Peabody is working on this proposal, but must ensure that any plan offered by the Company, along with the technical support requested by EPA, is thorough, technically sound, properly scoped, and carefully reviewed and vetted by the Company's water specialists prior to submittal. To be clear, this is no insubstantial undertaking in light of the breadth of EPAs' original request (proposing a plan estimated to cost Peabody in excess of \$700,000 to implement).

Peabody will submit its proposed plan as soon as possible. It may not, however, be until sometime next week given the technical issues that need to be addressed and the related travel schedules of key Peabody personnel. A matter of a few days is of no consequence to the Agency's objectives here and quite necessary in Peabody's view given the complexities of this matter. I can assure you that this matter is being given full and proper attention at the Company. In fact, we have followed the exact process agreed to during our April 16th meeting and have been appropriately diligent in all respects. It is worthy to note that the Peabody Bear Run technical team is also working simultaneously on the construction of air monitors and the commencement of fugitive dust monitoring in response to a separate and distinct information request from Region V.

I will send you the draft Plan as soon as I can, but in no event will this persist beyond next week. We appreciate the Agency's continued engagement and cooperation in this matter.

I am happy to talk if further discussion is warranted. Thank you.

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Subject Re: Peabody - Bear Run

Okay, thank you for getting back to me. I'm sorry I wasn't able to get in touch with you this morning. Please give me call this afternoon. I'll be available after 3 pm.

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Date: 05/15/2012 10:02 PM Subject: Peabody - Bear Run

Sorry I missed your call today. I am traveling. Please call me on my cell tomorrow morning - preferably before 9 am. I will call you later in the day if we don't connect first thing.

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05/21/2012 12:42 PM cc

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Janet,

Please see the message from Peabody below. It looks like this is the best we can do under the circumstances. Let me know if you have any questions.

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Subject RE: Peabody Proposed Sampling Plan

Thank you for your note Kasey. The Peabody team is available on Tuesday morning for a call to discuss the proposed sampling plan - the earlier in the day, the better. We would propose 8 am. Let me know if that time works. Thanks.

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From: Kasey Barton [mailto:Barton.Kasey@epamail.epa.gov]

Sent: Thursday, May 31, 2012 11:16 AM

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Subject EPA's requests re Peabody's Sampling plan for Bear Run

Bryce, et. al.,

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 - 2. Specific conductance (Lab)
 - 3. Cations: calcium, magnesium, sodium, and potassium
 - 4. Anions: bicarbonate and phosphate
 - 5. TDS (Lab)
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- C. Also as stated in March 22, 2012 letter, "Selenium analysis must use low level methods such that quantification level is 1.0 ug/L or lower."
- D. Add Effluent location selection of NPDES outfall #054, which would bring total effluent sample locations to six.

2. Biological & Physical Habitat Sampling:

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thanks, Janet

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Subject

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Does this help?

Thanks ... Scott

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Subject: Re:

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Eric, Scott,

I understand from reviewing all of the data you've submitted that sampling does take place even when there is no flow at an NPDES outfall.

Can you explain how that is done?

Additionally, the sampling plan submitted in response to the 308 request includes sampling during a base flow condition, can you also define that condition and how the sampling is done for that event as well?

thanks much,

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Thanks Bryce

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To Janet Pellegrini

11/27/2012 04:32 PM

bcc

Subject RE: Bear Run Effluent Sampling Plan

Don't worry, I just glad you received it.

From: Pellegrini.Janet@epamail.epa.gov [mailto:Pellegrini.Janet@epamail.epa.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, November 27, 2012 3:19 PM

To: McGarvie, Scott D.

Subject: RE: Bear Run Effluent Sampling Plan

we do have a central mail room, I could check with them to see when they signed for it?

"McGarvie, Scott D." ---11/27/2012 02:27:45 PM---Do you have a central mail room at 77 E Jackson St. or did UPS initially deliver to the wrong addres

From: "McGarvie, Scott D." <SMcGarvie@peabodyenergy.com>

To: Janet Pellegrini/R5/USEPA/US@EPA,

Date: 11/27/2012 02:27 PM

Subject: RE: Bear Run Effluent Sampling Plan

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From: Pellegrini.Janet@epamail.epa.gov [mailto:Pellegrini.Janet@epamail.epa.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, November 27, 2012 2:18 PM

To: McGarvie, Scott D.

Subject: RE: Bear Run Effluent Sampling Plan

yes, the sticker on the UPS package is stamped Nov 20 2012......

"McGarvie, Scott D." ---11/27/2012 12:02:38 PM---Very good Janet. That took some time as the UPS delivery receipt was for Nov 20. Scott

From: "McGarvie, Scott D." <SMcGarvie@peabodyenergy.com>

To: Janet Pellegrini/R5/USEPA/US@EPA,

Cc: "Olyphant, Jeffrey" <JOlyphant@peabodyenergy.com>

Date: 11/27/2012 12:02 PM

Subject: RE: Bear Run Effluent Sampling Plan

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Scott

From: Pellegrini.Janet@epamail.epa.gov [mailto:Pellegrini.Janet@epamail.epa.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, November 27, 2012 11:59 AM

To: McGarvie, Scott D. **Cc:** Olyphant, Jeffrey

Subject: RE: Bear Run Effluent Sampling Plan

Scott.

I just received the hard copy in the mail delivery today

thanks

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"McGarvie, Scott D." ---11/27/2012 08:41:39 AM---Janet, can you please confirm that you received both my below email and the hard copy which was sent

From: "McGarvie, Scott D." <SMcGarvie@peabodyenergy.com>

To: Janet Pellegrini/R5/USEPA/US@EPA,

Cc: "Olyphant, Jeffrey" <JOlyphant@peabodyenergy.com>

Date: 11/27/2012 08:41 AM

Subject: RE: Bear Run Effluent Sampling Plan

Janet, can you please confirm that you received both my below email and the hard copy which was sent to 77 West Jackson Blvd. #WN-16J. The UPS delivery receipt lists the package as being singed for at 77 E Jackson St.

Thanks ... Scott

From: McGarvie, Scott D.

Sent: Friday, November 16, 2012 4:49 PM

To: 'Janet Pellegrini' **Cc:** Olyphant, Jeffrey

Subject: RE: Bear Run Effluent Sampling Plan

Janet, attached is the October Effluent Sampling Data Report. The original is being sent to you via UPS.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks ... Scott

From: McGarvie, Scott D.

Sent: Thursday, October 25, 2012 1:43 PM

To: 'Janet Pellegrini' **Cc:** Olyphant, Jeffrey

Subject: RE: Bear Run Effluent Sampling Plan

Janet, attached is the September Effluent Sampling Data Report. The original is being sent to you via UPS.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks ... Scott

From: McGarvie, Scott D.

Sent: Thursday, September 27, 2012 5:38 PM

To: Janet Pellegrini **Cc:** Olyphant, Jeffrey

Subject: RE: Bear Run Effluent Sampling Plan

Janet, attached is the August Effluent Sampling Data Report. The original is being sent to you via UPS.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks ... Scott

From: McGarvie, Scott D.

Sent: Monday, August 27, 2012 2:04 PM

To: 'Janet Pellegrini' **Cc:** Olyphant, Jeffrey

Subject: RE: Bear Run Effluent Sampling Plan

Janet, attached is the July Effluent Sampling Data Report. The original is being sent to you via UPS.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks ... Scott

From: McGarvie, Scott D.

Sent: Monday, August 06, 2012 11:33 AM

To: 'Janet Pellegrini'

Subject: Bear Run Effluent Sampling Plan

Janet, regarding your questions below:

1. The following precipitation events were recorded in July by a rain gage located at the Bear Run mine office:

Date Amount
July 1 0.19"
July 2 0.01"

July 7 1.17" July 8 0.73" July 14 0.14" July 19 0.15" July 25 0.10" July 26 0.01"

2. There were no precipitation events recorded in July which were sufficient to cause a discharge or flow from any of the designated outfalls. Note that because of low pool levels in sediment basins due to extremely low precipitation in May and June, there were no flows from any of the designated basins when sampling commenced on July 12 except from outfalls 053 and 062 which were due to dewatering of pits left by previous mining operations.

We will provide you data no later than the 28th of the month following the month the sample was collected, which is the reporting schedule required for water monitoring by Indiana regulatory agencies. As such, the July data will be submitted to you no later than the 28th of August. Note that since there may be multiple sampling events in a month, the 28th is used to ensure that laboratories have time to analyze all samples and so we can provide all monthly data in one report. Please let me know of any questions.

Thanks ... Scott

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From: Janet Pellegrini [mailto:Pellegrini.Janet@epamail.epa.gov]

Sent: Friday, August 03, 2012 4:48 PM

To: McGarvie, Scott D. **Cc:** Patrick Kuefler

Subject: Re: Bear Run Effluent Sampling Plan

Scott.

Thanks for the status report on sampling at Bear Run. I do have a couple of questions related to your report.

- 1. Were there any rainfall events during the month of July within the Bear Run mine facility?
- 2. Were those rainfall events sufficient to trigger a discharge or flow at the designated sampling outfalls for the sampling plan?

The June 28, 2012 Peabody sampling plan committed to conducting 2 sampling events per outfall per month, one base flow and one under precipitation conditions.

Additionally, EPA requests that the data from any sampling be submitted, per the March 22, 2012 EPA request, every 30 days after water quality sampling begins. Since you sampled on July 12, 2012, we would expect to receive sampling results by August 12, 2012.

thanks much,

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"McGarvie, Scott D." ---08/03/2012 09:20:04 AM---Janet, below is an update for July: Dry condition samples were collected from outfalls 053 and 062 o

From: "McGarvie, Scott D." < SMcGarvie@peabodyenergy.com>

To: Janet Pellegrini/R5/USEPA/US@EPA,

Date: 08/03/2012 09:20 AM

Subject: Bear Run Effluent Sampling Plan

Janet, below is an update for July:

Dry condition samples were collected from outfalls 053 and 062 on July 12 and on the same day no-flows were documented for outfalls 03R, 18R, 044 and 058. Since sampling commenced in July, there has been insufficient precipitation to collect wet condition samples from outfalls 03R, 18R, 044, 053, 058 and 062.

Please let me know if any questions, etc.

Regards ... Scott

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From: McGarvie, Scott D.

Sent: Wednesday, June 27, 2012 10:46 AM

To: 'Janet Pellegrini' **Cc:** Fry, Eric; West, Bryce

Subject: RE:

Janet:

NPDES samples are collected only when the outfall is flowing. The two types of flow conditions are base flow (dry conditions) or precipitation (wet conditions). The plan specifies that effluent samples will be collected from each of the listed outfalls twice a month for a total of four months. Sample collection will be dependent on the discharge condition, with one sample collected under base flow conditions and the other sample collected under precipitation conditions. A non-flowing outfall is not sampled and is reported as a no-flow.

Does this help?

Thanks ... Scott

From: Janet Pellegrini [mailto:Pellegrini.Janet@epamail.epa.gov]

Sent: Wednesday, June 27, 2012 9:54 AM

To: West, Bryce

Cc: Fry, Eric; McGarvie, Scott D.

Subject: Re:

Bryce,

Thanks for responding, especially since you are on vacation.

I will send my question to Eric and Scott

Eric, Scott,

I understand from reviewing all of the data you've submitted that sampling does take place even when there is no flow at an NPDES outfall.

Can you explain how that is done?

Additionally, the sampling plan submitted in response to the 308 request includes sampling during a base flow condition, can you also define that condition and how the sampling is done for that event as well?

thanks much.

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